

BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL BERNARD H. "BERNIE" FULLENKAMP



Colonel Bernard H. "Bernie" Fullenkamp is the commander of the 36th Air Base Wing, Andersen Air Force Base, Guam. He ensures the base is capable of providing the highest quality peacetime and wartime support to project global power and reach from Andersen's vital location in the Pacific. The colonel is responsible for one of the largest military airfields in the world — more than 20,000 acres and 2,238 buildings. He is also responsible for the well being of more than 7,000 personnel, including military members, civilians and their families.

The colonel graduated from the University of Colorado at Boulder in 1976. He received his commission through the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps and subsequently entered active duty in 1977. He has commanded the 9th Air Refueling Squadron at March Air Force Base, Calif., and the 60th Operations Group at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. Most recently, he served as vice commander, 15th Air

Base Wing, Hickam AFB, Hawaii. In a staff capacity, he worked on Capitol Hill as the deputy chief, House Liaison Office, U.S. House of Representatives and also served as chief, Southeast Asia, South Asia and Oceania policy division at U.S. Pacific Command, Camp H.M. Smith, Hawaii. Colonel Fullenkamp is a command pilot, having flown more than 4,800 hours in KC-135, T-37, C-141, C-5 and KC-10 aircraft.

EDUCATION:

- 1976 Bachelor of science in aerospace engineering, University of Colorado at Boulder
- 1981 Master of science in business management/industrial production, University of Arkansas
- 1982 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 1983 Air Command and Staff College
- 1987 Armed Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.
- 1989 National security management course, Industrial College of the Armed Forces
- 1994 Master of arts in national security and strategic studies, Naval War College, Newport, R.I.

ASSIGNMENTS:

- 1. May 1977 August 1978, student, pilot training, Columbus Air Force Base, Miss.
- 2. September 1978 February 1982, KC-135 pilot, 97th Air Refueling Squadron, Blytheville Air Force Base, Ark.
- 3. February 1982 January 1987, initial KC-10 pilot cadre, 32nd Air Refueling Squadron; chief, KC-10 mission development branch; KC-10 standardization/evaluation and instructor pilot, 2nd Bombardment Wing, Barksdale Air Force Base, La.
- 4. January 1987 June 1987, student, Armed Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.
- 5. July 1987 September 1989, deputy chief, House Liaison Office, U.S. House of Representatives, Secretary of the Air Force, Legislative Liaison, Washington, D.C.

- 6. September 1989 July 1993, KC-10 instructor pilot; chief, wing standardization/evaluation; operations officer and commander, 9th Air Refueling Squadron, 22nd Air Refueling Wing, March Air Force Base, Calif.
- 7. August 1993 June 1994, student, Naval War College, Newport, R.I.
- 8. July 1994 June 1996, deputy commander and commander, 60th Operations Group, Travis Air Force Base, Calif.
- 9. June 1996 July 1998, chief, Southeast Asia, South Asia and Oceania policy division, Strategic Planning and Policy Directorate, U.S. Pacific Command, Camp H.M. Smith, Hawaii
- 10. July 1998 June 2000, vice commander, 15th Air Base Wing, Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii
- 11. June 2000 present, commander, 36th Air Base Wing, Andersen Air Force Base, Guam

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Rating: Command Pilot Flight hours: More than 4,800

Aircraft flown: T-37, KC-135, C-141, C-5, KC-10

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Defense Superior Service Medal

Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with two oak leaf clusters

Combat Readiness Medal with three oak leaf clusters

National Defense Service Medal

Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with one bronze star Southwest Asia Service Medal with two campaign stars

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant May 21, 1976
First Lieutenant Dec 2, 1978
Captain Dec 2, 1980
Major May 1, 1986
Lieutenant Colonel Jul 1, 1991
Colonel Feb 1, 1995

(Current as of June 2000)